

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants:	Markus Haller et al.	Examiner:	B. Prieto
Serial No.:	09/764,681	Group Art Unit:	2142
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Title:	SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR REMOTE PROGRAMMING OF AN IMPLANTABLE MEDICAL DEVICE		

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**RESPONSE**

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

The instant Response is lodged in response to the non-final Office Action mailed 9 May 2006 which set a three-month period for reply expiring on 9 August 2006. This Response is tendered in advance of the expiration of said period for reply.

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